

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
BOARD MEETING SESSION – OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT,
DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE,
JUNE 5, 2012**

ITEM 14

SUBJECT

UPDATE ON ACTIONS TO IMPROVE ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK (UST) CLEANUP FUND AND UST CLEANUP PROGRAMS: FOCUS ON FRAUD, WASTE AND ABUSE

DISCUSSION

At its regular meetings on May 19 and November 18, 2009, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) adopted resolutions directing staff to implement a number of actions to improve the administration of the UST Cleanup Fund and UST Cleanup Programs. One of these actions was for the Division of Financial Assistance (DFA) and the Division of Water Quality (DWQ) to report every six months at a meeting of the State Water Board on the progress toward completion of these activities.

This information item is one of two updates. This update focuses on Fraud, Waste and Abuse prevention and enforcement activities and is a joint Office of Enforcement and Cleanup Fund presentation. A future update will focus on implementation of the low threat closure policy as well as the two 2009 resolutions.

POLICY ISSUE

None at this time; informational item.

FISCAL IMPACT

None at this time; informational item.

REGIONAL WATER BOARD IMPACT

None at this time; informational item.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

None at this time; informational item.

State Water Board action on this item will assist the State and Regional Water Boards in reaching Goals 2, 5, and 6 of the Strategic Plan Update: 2008-2012 to improve and protect groundwater quality in high-use basins by 2030, improve transparency and accountability, and enhancing consistency across the State and Regional Water Boards to ensure our processes are effective, efficient and predictable.